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To Whom It May Concern:

Having owned and used multiple computers and many different software programs and their upgrades during the last thirty years, I can state from experience that the alternative to constant frustration from software "clichés" -- is to use an integrated set of software products from a financially strong company which can be depended on to stay in business and continually upgrade its products.

I look to Microsoft as being that company. I have always felt that their price of software was relatively insignificant and one of the greatest bargains in history in terms of what it can accomplish.

The future of the nation is considerably dependent on having a strong, innovative, software company such as Microsoft with the ability to guarantee continued continuity and upgrading of an overall package of software products for personal computers.

The courts should uphold the settlement agreements presently acceptable to the United States Department of Justice and all states should join in the acceptance for the good of the nation and computer users.

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